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Associate Attorney: Brumbaugh, Graves, Donohue & Raymond, New York, New York. Specialized in all aspects of Intellectual Property Law including patent, trademark, copyright and unfair competition litigation including appeals; preparation and negotiation of license agreements and other transfers of intellectual property rights; counseling of client; rendering of patentability and infringement opinions; rendering of trademark registrability opinions and copyrightability opinions; preparation and prosecution of patent applications including docket management of patent file wrappers. 1988-1990.

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ALBANY LAW SCHOOL OF UNION UNIVERSITY, Albany, New York. *Juris Doctor*, 1988.

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COURTS ADMITTED:

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT, 2005

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE SECOND CIRCUIT, 1993

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT, 1990.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURTS: WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN, 2000; NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, 1989; SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, 1989; EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, 1989.

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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE; Registered Agent, 1988; Attorney, 1989.

REPORTED CASES:

- 1. <u>Advanced Fiber Technologies (AFT) Trust v. J&L Fiber Services, Inc.,</u> 674 F.3d 1365 (Fed. Cir. 2012)
- 2. <u>Deere & Co. v. International Trade Commission</u>, 605 F.3d 1350 (Fed. Cir. 2010)
- 3. <u>Levine v. Landy</u>, ___ F.Supp. ___, 2012 Copr. L. Dec. 181 2011 WL 6845886, N.D.N.Y. Dec. 30, 2011 (11-CV-1038)
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- 9. <u>Amini Innovation Corp. v. Bank & Estate Liquidators, Inc.</u>, 512 F.Supp.2d 1039, 2007

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- 11. <u>Bernhardt, L.L.C. v. Collezione Europa USA, Inc.</u>, 386 F.3d 1371, 2004 WL 2397341, 72 U.S.P.Q.2d 1901, (Fed. Cir. 2004).
- 12. <u>Fusco Group, Inc. v. Loss Consultants Intern., Inc.,</u> 462 F.Supp.2d 321, 2006 WL 3365681 (N.D.N.Y. 2006)
- 13. <u>Bernhardt L.L.C. v. Collezione Europa USA, Inc.</u>, 436 F.Supp.2d 739 2006 WL 1876517, (M.D.N.C. 2006)
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- 15. <u>Harvest Technologies Corp. v. Cytomedix, Inc.</u>, 2004 WL 2009253 (D.Mass. 2004) (No. Civ. A. 02-12077-PBS).
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- 26. Zenith v. Brad Cable Electronics, 1991 U.S. Dist. Lexis 6366, (N.D.N.Y.).

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- 29. Research Foundation for State University of New York v. Telluric Labs, LLC, 2022 WL 16789970 (E.D.N.Y. 2022).
- 30. <u>CVD Equipment Corp. v. PrecisionFlow Technologies, Inc.</u>, 2007 WL 1571666 (N.D.N.Y. 2007).
- 31. S.F.X. Broadcasting of New York, Inc. v. Radio Enterprises, Inc., 1997 WL 599351 (N.D.N.Y. 1997).
- 32. <u>Doctor's Associates Inc. v. Neverett</u>, 2010 WL 11541815 (N.D.N.Y. 2010).
- 33. Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute v. Apple Inc., 2014 WL 12586845 (N.D.N.Y. 2014).
- 34. <u>L.M. Sessler Excavating and Wrecking, Inc. v. Bette & Cring, LLC, 2017 WL 4652709</u> (W.D.N.Y. 2017).
- 35. Tower Products Inc. v. Laird Enterprises Inc., 2020 WL 3453552 (N.D.N.Y. 2020).
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- 39. Verbal Judo Institute, Inc. v. Vistelar, LLC, 2018 WL 8800685 (N.D.N.Y. 2018).
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- 43. <u>Worldwide Sport Nutritional Supplements, Inc. v. Five Star Brands, LLC</u>, 80 F.Supp.2d 25 (N.D.N.Y. 1999).
- 44. Worldwide Sport Nutritional Supplements, Inc. v. Van Horn Technologies, Inc., 1977 WL 698044 (N.D.N.Y. 1997).

- 45. Fusco Group, Inc. v. Loss Consultants Intern., Inc., 462 F.Supp.2d 321 (N.D.N.Y. 2006).
- 46. Charles Ramsey Company, Inc. v. Fabtech-NY LLC, 2020 WL 352614.
- 47. <u>Albany Medical College v. Smiths Medical Asd, Inc.</u>, 2014 WL 10137686 (N.D.N.Y. 2014).
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- Co-Author, *Federal Circuit Patent Law Decisions* 1988, Section 112 Update, published by American Intellectual Property Law Association.
- Co-Author, Separate Juries for Liability and Damages in Patent Cases, New York Law Journal, November 22, 1988.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

Internaional Trademark Law Association.
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HONORS AND ACHIEVEMENTS:

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